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Ms. Jackie Thiell Wetzsteon  
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*Sent via email only*

Re: Request for Dioxin/Furan Analysis, *Final Supplemental Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Work Plan, River Mile 11 East, Portland, Oregon*, (dated October 2013), CERCLA Docket No. 10-2013-0087

Dear Ms. Wetzsteon:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) letter dated January 10, 2014 directed the RM11E Group to conduct polychlorinated-dibenzo dioxin and furan (PCDD/PCDF) analysis on all supplemental Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) solids matrices and also incorporate this information into the Draft Field Sampling and Data Report, Draft Implementability Study Report, and Draft Recontamination Assessment Report as appropriate. EPA and the RM11E Group held subsequent discussions where it was agreed that EPA would develop Dioxin/Furan 2,3,7,8-tetrachloro-dibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) toxicity equivalent (TEQ) remedial action levels (RALs) for the Portland Harbor Superfund Site and provide them to the RM11E Group. EPA transmitted the Dioxin/Furan TCDD TEQ RALs to the RM11E Group on February 25, 2014. In preparation for a conference call scheduled for March 10, 2014, EPA requested its contractor CDM Smith to evaluate what additional dioxin/furan data is necessary as part of the supplemental RI/FS work. A memorandum presenting this evaluation is attached. EPA believes the requested dioxin/furan data is needed to inform alternative evaluation under the Portland Harbor Feasibility Study. The dioxin/furan data will also inform the source control recontamination evaluation to be presented in the Recontamination Assessment Report.

We look forward to discussing the requested analyses during the March 10, 2014 conference call. Please let me know you have any questions or concerns about this letter at (206) 553-1220 or via email at [sheldrake.sean@epa.gov](mailto:sheldrake.sean@epa.gov)

Sincerely,



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